



Sent via U.S. Postal

March 5, 2019

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RE: Freedom of Information Act Request NGC18-363

Dear Mr. Scott:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated, June 19, 2018 that we received in our office on June 28, 2018 via U.S. Postal. We assigned your request the above internal tracking number in addition to your *FOIAonline* tracking number NARA-NGC-2018-000685. In your request, you stated "I would like to obtain all records sent to, sent from, or copied to david.ferriero@nara.gov, debra.wall@nara.gov, or garym.stern@nara.gov from January 1, 2015 to Present Day that contain the non-case sensitive keyword "Trump" or "Kushner".

In emails dated August 2, 2018 and August 21, 2018, we reached out to you via email and explained that after our initial search we located over 250,000 emails that may be responsive to your request. We explained that the majority of the emails were advertisements and news articles that were received by NARA employees and asked if you would be willing to narrow the search criteria. We also explained that this request is a duplicate to FOIA request NGC17-567, submitted September 13, 2017, and in that request, Mr. Joe Scanlon asked if you could narrow your request and you responded by requesting only using the search term "Kushner" and also contains the words "project", "delete", or "finance". We conducted that search and responded on August 2, 2018 via *FOIAonline* (under NARA-NGC-2017-000852) with five emails. Those emails are advertisements and news articles.

According to 36 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) §1250.26, NARA provides at least 60 calendar days for you to respond to a request for clarification. Should you not answer any correspondence, NARA reserves the right to administratively close the FOIA request 60 calendar days after the date of the last correspondence we send. In this case the last communication was

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August 21, 2018. Therefore, since you did not respond to our request for clarification, your request is being denied as an improper FOIA request and we are administratively closing the case.

This completes the processing of your FOIA request to us.

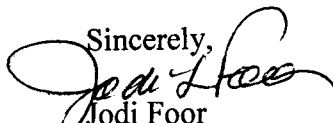
If you are not satisfied with our action on this request, you have the right to file an administrative appeal within ninety (90) calendar days from the date of this letter via regular U.S. mail or email. By filing an appeal, you preserve your rights under FOIA and give the agency a chance to review and reconsider your request and the agency's decision. If you submit your appeal in writing, please address it to the Deputy Archivist of the United States (ND), National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, Maryland 20740. Both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." If you submit your appeal by e-mail please send it to *FOIA@nara.gov*, also addressed to the Deputy Archivist of the United States. Please be sure to explain why you believe this response does not meet the requirements of the FOIA. All correspondence should reference your case tracking number **NGC18-363** and your *FOIAonline* tracking number.

If you would like to discuss our response before filing an appeal to attempt to resolve your dispute without going through the appeals process, you may contact our FOIA Public Liaison Gary M. Stern for assistance at:

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8601 Adelphi Road, Room 3110
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If you are unable to resolve your FOIA dispute through our FOIA Public Liaison, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), the Federal FOIA Ombudsman's office, offers mediation services to help resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies. The contact information for OGIS is noted below:

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